

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CUTTING A CASE
CONTAINING PRODUCT**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 An apparatus and method for cutting open a case of product having a top and a bottom is provided. The case is placed on a conveyor and moved to a cutting apparatus. The top is cut open at the cutting apparatus. The case is moved to a lift apparatus. The top of the case is opened and the product is lifted from the bottom of the case. The case is then cut thereby separating the bottom of the case from the top of the case.

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